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Procession of Miracle Icon of Virgin(Isle of Tinos)

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## Cover Story

**TINOS ISLAND, GREECE** - Rising majestically above the blue waters of the Aegean Sea, and near to the sacred center of Ancient Greek worship at Delos, is the Greek Isle of Tinos. Tinos, like Lourdes to the Roman Catholics, is one of the most revered shrines in Eastern Orthodoxy. Authentic and miraculous cures are a part of the history of the isle. Each year, many thousands of faithful assemble at the famed Church of Panagia Evangelistria, where the legendary icon of the Panagia (Virgin Mary) is enthroned. The two great festivals of the isle are those of the Annunciation, Mar. 25th, and Assumption, Aug. 15th, and an estimated 30,000 pilgrims come to Tinos on both of these occasions.

The church itself is a two-storied affair, with the chapel and baptistry on the first floor and the church proper on the second level. The latter is reached by a flight of marble stairs (see picture of p. 23). The lower level is the area in which so many miracles have taken place; it was there, also, that the miracle-working icon of the Annunciation (Evangelismos) was discovered by an old gardener, long before the church itself was

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# AROUND THE WORLD WITH THE CHURCH FOREIGN

HITLER AIDE CLAIMED TO BE IN ROMAN MONASTERY IN SPAIN. Prague Radio, in a recent broadcast, claimed that Martin Bormann, who was Hitler's right-hand man, is now in hiding at the famed Benedictine monastery of Monserrat in northeast Spain.

According to the station, Bormann, said to have been Hitler's confidante and director of his personal affairs and finances, has been in Monserrat ever since the end of the war, along with several other high-ranking Nazi leaders.

Bormann was head of the Nazi Party Secretariat and Deputy Fuehrer; memories of the man, whom many have termed 'the evil genius of the Fuehrer', were revived two years ago when his son, 30-year old Martin Adolf, was ordained to the Roman Catholic priesthood in the suit church of the Holy Trinity at Innsbruck, Austria.

Young Bormann was a member of a Nazi Youth unit at the time of the German defeat and was sent to the Austrian Tyrol, where he was befriended by a Catholic farmer, Klaus Hohenwarter. After the war, he returned to Germany, but in 1947 was again in the Tyrol, where he was received into the Catholic Church.

After entering an Austrian, provincial seminary, young Bormann went to Vienna in 1949 to complete his studies at the Sacred Heart seminary. In 1950 he went to Rome on a Holy Year pilgrimage to attend a mass audience given by Pius XII. His first Mass, following his ordination, was said in the Kirchentel church in Salzburg, where the Hohenwarters worship. On the following day, he officiated at the wedding of a younger brother, Heiner.

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EASTERN ORTHODOX CONFERENCE AT RHODES POSTPONED INDEFINITELY. A meeting of Eastern Orthodox prelates, scheduled to be held on the Island of Rhodes on September 25th, has been postponed 'until further notice'.

The synod meeting, which would have run for a week, was to have been attended by representatives of all the Eastern Orthodox Patriarchates and Churches. Subjects to have been discussed included: the forthcoming Pan-Orthodox Council, Christian unity and the Roman Council of Pope John XXIII, social and ecclesiastical problems.

News of the postponement was issued by the Ecumenical Patriarch Athenagoras in Istanbul. The Synod would have been the first such meeting in 800 years, for Pan-Orthodoxy.

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SIT OF ECUMENICAL PATRIARCH TO GREECE IS POSTPONED. A scheduled visit of Ecumenical Patriarch Athenagoras to Archbishop Theoklitos of Athens, originally planned for September, has been postponed 'for a few months', because of political unrest in

Turkey.

The Patriarchate explained that currency restrictions have made it impossible for him, as Turkish national, to travel abroad at this time.

Simultaneously, the Patriarchate announced that the present headquarters in the Phanar will be demolished and new buildings erected, thanks to donations of Greeks in America.

- The restrictions by the Turkish government, on travel abroad by Turkish nationals, make the Rhodes meeting impossible, also. - ED.

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**EASTERN ORTHODOXY AND NEWS MEDIA.** Ecumenical Patriarch Athenagoras of Istanbul was quoted in an Athens newspaper as having said that he is 'against the prevailing tendency of avoiding publicity of some events which are unfavorable to the church'.

'The church is the people, and consequently the people must be aware of all events concerning church life,' said the Patriarch. 'The freedom of the press becomes in reality an ideal one those who are under censure of it do not protest against the censure, but try to put in order the matter which is being checked'.

In a precedent making move, King Paul of Greece met with some 400 newsmen of the Athenian Newspaper Guild and expressed his views on the work of the Press: 'By exposing the enemy to the people, wherever you find him, under whatever color or cloak he might be disguised, you fulfill your duty towards safeguarding not only the freedom of the Press, but also our democratic way of life, which is the greatest tradition of our Greek heritage.....The power which lies in your pen is far greater than the power possessed by any ruler in history. You must keep it as a sacred trust in the service of truth.....'

The Holy Synod of the Orthodox Church of Greece urged that all news stories, dealing with crimes of immorality, be printed without unnecessary intimate details and illustrations. The Synod stressed that the playing up of salacious material 'goes beyond the proper limits of news-reporting and tends to the destruction and not the progress of the community'. The Synod also asked that all pictures of an erotic nature be avoided. That the responsibility of the journalist is to keep the public informed of what is happening, and not just to spread immorality.

In the same message, the Synod also urged news editors to always identify the author and source of all religious articles appearing in news media.

- Editors of publications often receive letters that are critical of news items which expose areas of corruption, or even specific acts, in which the Church or Clergy have been participants. However, as the Ecumenical Patriarch said: 'The church is the people, and consequently the people must be aware of all events concerning church life'. - ED.

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**MOSLEMS PLAN PROSELYTIZING DRIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA.** A branch of the Ahmadiyyah sect of Mohammedanism has been established in Capetown, S.Africa, and plans are being laid for an aggressive proselytizing drive throughout the area.

The Ahmadies have central headquarters in Pakistan, but have many branches throughout the world. Their main area of concentration, however, is south of the Sahara. In Ghana, for example, the sect has 15 mosques and 13 schools. The sect also publishes a monthly in various African tongues, as well as in English.

The Ahmadies believe that Jesus did not die on the Cross, but made his way to Kashmir, where he attained the age of 120. They further believe that the Second Coming was fulfilled by the birth of their founder, whom they call the 'Promised Messiah'; he died in 1908.

A spokesman for the group, in Capetown, explained that progress was slow; this being partly due to



ue to the fact that 'people and particularly the Africans have never been less interested in any sort of religion than they are today'. He added, 'that is a good thing, according to the teaching of our founder, Hazrat Ahmad. He believed that when the slate has been wiped clean, it is easier to write on it afresh. Let the idol of the godhead of the Son of Mary crash to pieces so that room can be created for the stamp of Islam to be put on the heart'.

- Publication of an edition of the Koran, Mohammedan Scriptures, for use by the 175,000 Israeli Moslems, has been arranged by Israel's Ministry of Religious Affairs. The Ministry explained that the Moslem community had complained over the poor quality of Koran editions imported from Turkey. (In addition to the Moslem population of Israel, there are now some 52,000 Christians there; 32,000 Catholics of various rites, 18,000 Eastern Orthodox, and 2,000 Protestants. In addition, there are 1,000 Christian clergy and 200 Christian churches. - ED.)
- The spiritual leader of Muslims in Canada is 32 year-old Amoudeh Abd-ul Ati, who has charge of the Mosque of Al Rashid, Edmonton, Alta. He says his main task is to unify the congregation and initiate an all-level religious program among the young Muslims. Presently, the Immam is studying for a Ph.D. in Islamic studies from McGill University.
- Proposals to build a mosque in Rome, Italy, were strongly condemned by the Vatican Radio as 'an attempt to offend world Catholicism'. The broadcast said that such an act would violate Rome's sacred character. (If Rome were criticized for trying to establish a church in the midst of the Muslims, she would probably cry 'prejudice'. The U.N. gave figures, some time back, on the custom of prostitution - Pakistan led the world; Who was next? Answer: Italy, with headquarters in Rome. If this is true, why does the Vatican think that a Mosque would 'violate Rome's sacred character'? - ED.)

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AN CLIBURN DONATES 80,000 RUBLES TO MOSCOW BAPTIST CHURCH. The renowned American pianist, Van Cliburn, at the close of a concert tour of the Soviet Union, gave 80,000 rubles (\$8,000) from his receipts to the Moscow Baptist Church.

The 25-year old musician from Texas, who has become an idol of Soviet music lovers since winning the Stalin prize in competition in 1958, said his gift was in memory of his mother's grandfather, Dr. Solomon G.O'Brien, who was a Baptist minister and co-founder of a school in Waco, Tex., that today is known as Baylor University.

Cliburn made the presentation to the church's pastor at a Sunday morning service. He had visited the church on an invitation extended to him last July by the Baptist Council of the Soviet

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MACEDONIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH PLANNING AUSTRALIA BRANCH. Representatives of the Macedonian Orthodox Church, which split from the Serbian Orthodox Church in 1958 and is now autonomous, have gone to Australia for one month in an attempt to form a branch of their church.

The delegation included a bishop and two priests. They took with them 'church relics' for the newly built Macedonian churches in Australia.

Leaders of the Serbian Orthodox Church protested the trip vigorously, but to no avail. Although the Macedonian Church is formally linked with the Serbian Patriarchate, relations between the two bodies are strained.

Australia has numerous emigrees from Yugoslavia. They are mainly anti-communist, but belong to the Serbian Orthodox Church.

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**OUTH KOREA'S NEW PRESIDENT IS ACTIVE PROTESTANT.** Posun Yun, 62-year aristocratic Presbyterian elder, is the new president of South Korea. His family has long been active in the history of Korean Presbyterianism. His uncle, Baron Chiho Yun, however, was Korean Methodist delegate to the 1st World Conference of the ecumenical movement in Edinburgh in 1910.

The new Presbyterian was educated in Scotland, majoring in archaeology; he neither smokes or drinks. His wife was trained in a women's theological seminary in Yokohama and has a special interest in the field of Christian education.

The real seat of political power in South Korea, however, is not vested in the office of presidency, but rather in that of the prime minister. Elected to this latter post was John Chang, who is a devout and ardent Roman Catholic and an equally ardent political opponent to the president.

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**ZOE BROTHERHOOD OF ORTHODOX LAYMEN DEVELOPS A SPLIT.** Sixty-one leading members of 'Zoe' (Life), Greek Orthodox brotherhood of theologians, announced that they were withdrawing from the association to 'separate our responsibilities from the present administration of the brotherhood'.

In an open letter to the Greek people, the group, which constitutes about one third of Zoe's full membership, said that 'we will henceforth go forward independently on our own responsibility and establish a new brotherhood of theologians, called 'O Sortir' (The Saviour).

The letter also said that the new brotherhood 'will, by all means, stick to the teachings and beliefs of the Eastern Orthodox Church and that its aims will be guided by the spirit and traditions inherited by our spiritual father, Eusebius Matthopoulos, founder of Zoe'.

The late Archimandrite Matthopoulos started the brotherhood of celibate members of Zoe in 1911 to promote spiritual growth among Greek Orthodox. It emphasizes the art of preaching as a means of spreading Orthodoxy and publishes a weekly paper, which has a circulation of about 250,000. In addition, Zoe has issued the Bible in the original Greek and has founded some 5,000 Sunday Schools in Greece; scholarship have also been provided to hundreds of clergy to aid in their more effective training.

The new group was the result of disagreement over the present trend of Zoe, which they consider as departing from the principles of the founder. The 'O Sortir' body will shortly commence their own publication; Professor P.N. Trembelas, professor emeritus of the University of Athens, is one of the leading spirits in the separatist group.

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**ROMAN CATHOLIC CONGREGATION 'CONVERTS' TO EASTERN ORTHODOXY.** The Roman Catholic parish of Montalto Dora, a small mountain village in Italy, has just made its return to Eastern Orthodoxy as the 'Mother Church' of Christendom.

Some 1,000 Roman Catholic members of Montalto received a former Catholic monsignor, Father Mario Taddei, who heads the Italian Orthodox Church, as their new leader. Father Taddei sent his lieutenant, 31-year old Giovanni Gottardi, to Montalto to set up a chapel in a private house. The chapel was soon used for regular services; attendance at three services on a recent Sunday were reported at 50, 280, and 350 - an aggregate total of 680 worshippers.

Bishop Albrino Mensa of Ivrea decried the return of one of his parishes to the ancient 'Mother Church' of Christendom by saying that the act caused him 'pain in my soul'. He then ordered all 146 parishes of the diocese to recite the Rosary every evening for three months so that the Montalto group might be forced to return to the Roman Faith; he also placed the group under Roman excommunication.

The exact cause of the schism has been placed on the autocratic manner and attitude exhibited

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the Church authorities, who treated the local parish as a sort of 'step-child'; such acts as using the parishioners the right to have a new church edifice and to allow a native village priest to be pastor of the local church caused a smoldering resentment to develop, which led to the final breach.

In Eastern Orthodoxy, local congregations have the privileges that go with democracy in church government. Ownership of property, choice of pastor, etc. are only a few of these benefits that have been carried down thru the ages by Orthodoxy from the time of Christ. It is only natural that a subjugated body eventually will throw off its masters and enter into 'freedom in Christ'. - ED.

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**PROTESTANT CLERGY REFUSED ENTRY TO OLYMPIC VILLAGE BY PRIEST.** Mr. Nicola Pavone, Catholic prelate - executive of Italian Catholic sports association - sports consultant to Italian government - and head of Olympic Committee for Religious Assistance to Olympic Athletes, refused to give entry permits to any Protestant clergy, into the Olympic Village.

The Federal Council of Italian Evangelical Churches said that it had requested such official permission as far back as March 22, but had been turned down. On July 22, a further petition was made, with the specific request that Protestant pastors be included on the 'Committee'; Mr. Pavone rejected this by saying, on August 22, that the 'committee didn't exist'.

The Federal Council then endeavored to have listings of services in Rome's Protestant churches distributed to the athletes. In this, they were frustrated by the authorities, who refused to allow it to be done. On Aug. 27th, an athlete asked for a Protestant clergy to come visit him; this request was rejected on Sept. 1st. On Aug. 26th, Danish cyclist Knut Jansen collapsed during the games; a Lutheran pastor was not informed for some hours later, four hours after the young man died.

The Council then petitioned Avery Brundage, president of the International Olympic Committee, for assistance in correcting the defect. Mr. Brundage refused to receive the Protestant delegation, but, instead, turned them over to Msgr. Pavone, who gave effusive assurances that permits 'would be issued'. (Note: the permits were never sent.-ED.)

The preponderant majority of the Olympic athletes was non-Catholic. The question, now raised, is 'what will Catholics do to Protestants, if they gain power and authority over them in governmental fields'? It is this constant doubt that causes non-Catholics to be apprehensive over a Catholic becoming President of the U.S. - ED.

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**PAIR OF HOLY SEPULCHRE SET IN MOTION.** The Church of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem, which is regarded as one of the most sacred shrines of Christendom, is about to undergo a complete restoration.

Controlled jointly by the Greek Orthodox, Armenian Apostolic, and Roman Catholic communities, the ancient shrine was severely damaged by earthquakes in 1927; by fire in 1949; and by unusually heavy rains in 1954. The church dates from the 12th to 13th century - the time of the Crusades. (The Ethiopians, Egyptian Copts, and Syrian Orthodox also occupy and control some of the smaller interior sections of the structure.-ED)

Repairs, while started in 1958, have been held up due to bickering between the three major sects over 'jealous concern' as to their respective 'rights' in the church. (The Roman Catholics had submitted a grandiose plan for 'redoing' the entire structure; unfortunately, their plan included their 'taking over' of those areas presently controlled by the Orthodox and the Armenians. - ED.)

Immediate repair work will be done in three stages: i. repair to entry to sepulchre church; ii. repair of Greek Orthodox chapel; iii. Repair of area at site of Christ's tomb. Some \$1,500,000 will be needed for total repairs: immediate work will run in neighborhood of \$200,000. Cost and

supervision of repair will be equally shared by the three major bodies.

- Two other major repair projects have also been launched in the Holy Land. The Patriarchal Russian Church is going to renovate the Russian Orthodox monastery and chapel near the city of Tiberias. In Israel, the 75 year-old St. Mary's Ethiopian Church will be restored by the Ethiopian government with a financial assist from the Israel government. The cost of the latter work will run to be about \$35,000 and take some six-months. (Israel is helping because the structure had been damaged during the Palestine War of 1948.-ED.)
- It might be added that the Russian Orthodox Patriarchal Mission in Israel has just increased their staff to a total of 20 nuns; five young nuns, all in their 20's, arrived last summer. In addition, another priest was added to the five-man staff of Archimandrite Augustin, head of the Mission.

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**ISRAELI AND SOVIET CONFER ON RUSSIAN CHURCH PROPERTIES.** Israeli and Soviet representatives held their first meeting, last summer, in Jerusalem to settle the long standing question of returning to the Russian Orthodox Church those properties in Israel, which the Church lays claim.

The properties are registered in the name of the Imperial Russian Orthodox Society, or of Grand Duke Sergei who was assassinated in 1905. The properties were thereafter held in trust by the British mandatory government following the 1917 Russian Revolution; presently they are administered by the State of Israel.

Unofficially estimated to have a value of \$100,000,000, the properties include a large number of buildings in Jerusalem's Russian Compound, as well as valuable realty in Tel Aviv - Haifa - Nazareth - Tiberias.

The talks were conducted in Russian and Hebrew, with translators on hand to remove the language difficulties. The Russians submitted a list of all properties claimed by the Church; Israelites announced they would study the list and submit a counter list at an early date.

- It is only natural that the Church would like to be reimbursed for its properties, even though the Jews have sought restitution for properties taken from them in various of the foreign lands, in which they formerly had communities. - ED.
- Some important Russian Church property is also located in Jordan, particularly in the City of Jerusalem proper. These properties are presently being administered by the 'Russian Church in Exile'. Some years ago, Syria returned all the Russian property which was located in her borders. - ED.

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**TALMUD MANUSCRIPTS FOUND TO CONTAIN JESUS' NAME.** Fragments of original uncensored sections of Talmudic manuscripts have been found to contain the name of Jesus. The announcement was made by Prof. Abraham I. Katsh, chairman of N.Y. University's Dept. of Hebrew Studies.

Dr. Katsh made the announcement prior to the close of his fourth study trip to the Soviet, where the manuscript fragments were uncovered in the archives of the Antonin Genizah Collection, Leningrad Public Library.

He said that microfilm copies of the Talmudic variants, which he obtained, showed that the name of Jesus, which does not occur in current Jewish interpretation of Biblical Law, was in the original, which dates to about 500 A.D. He theorized that the deletions could have been made by 'censors', who felt that the presence of the name of Jesus might be a problem in any way or another.

- Dr. Katsh's project was financed partially by the Rockefeller Foundation in 1956. - ED.



The Antonin Genizah Collection derives its name from the discoveries made by a Russian priest, Antonin, about 1860 in a 'Genizah' (storage place) of a Cairo, Egypt, synagogue; he obtained some 1200 fragments of ancient Hebrew religious documents at that time. - ED.

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RUSSIAN ORTHODOX AND OLD CATHOLICS MAPPING CLOSER TIES. Representatives of the Russian Orthodox Church (Moscow Patriarchate) and the Old Catholic Church of Germany will meet in Bonn next year for talks aimed at bringing about intercommunion.

Bishop Johannes Demmel of Bonn, head of the Old Catholic Church, announced the plans for the conference, upon his return from a visit to the Soviet last month. He also said that the Bonn conference would be attended by representatives of the Anglican Church, with which his group already has communion fellowship.

The German Old Catholics were formed in 1871 as a result of large groups of Roman Catholics seceding from Rome in protest against the definition of the dogma of 'papal infallibility'. Some 50,000 members, in 126 congregations, make up the Old Catholic German group. -ED.

The Moscow Patriarchate just released the 1st volume of a theological yearbook, entitled 'Studies in Theology'. The new yearbook is to acquaint theological circles throughout the world with the thought of the Russian Church. The first issue contains articles on liturgy and Bible criticism; relations between Eastern and Western churches in the Middle Ages and modern times; and, significantly, a four-page review of the Old Catholic 'International Church Newspaper'. - ED.

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TRUCK BANS JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES BIBLE TRANSLATION. The Watchtower Bible Tract Society, legal agency of the Witnesses, declares that Turkey has banned the distribution of its American translation of the Bible.

Prime Minister Cemal Gursel and 18 other ministers of Turkey signed the official decree, according to the society. They said it was published in the government's newspaper, 'T.C.Resmî Mektepe', on July 2nd.

The society stated they have appealed to the U.S. Secretary of State, as well as to the Turkish Ambassador to the U.S., Melih Esenbel, to investigate the action. Mr. Gursel has recently said his regime stands firmly for 'complete religious freedom for all sects and religious bodies without any privileges for any denomination'.

Jehovah's Witnesses added that they expected such treatment from countries behind the Iron Curtain, but not in freedom-loving countries.

Turkey is 98% Moslem. The publication 'Watchtower' has been banned in Turkey since 1957. - ED.

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GOVERNMENT TERMS MISSIONARIES 'GREATEST ENEMIES' OF PEOPLE. Christian missionaries were singled out as the 'greatest enemy' of the people in a series of secret instructions issued to militants of the Congolese National Movement, according to the Swiss Press Agency, KIPA.

The agency said it had received a copy of the document, which was apparently issued before the proclamation of the Congolese independence. The 'movement', which issued the document, it said, headed by Patrice Lumumba.

The 'greatest enemy of our initiative', said the document, 'is the clergy. It has the greatest monopoly over the people. Russia must be employed to paralyze it. Never respect the clergy, but make life as miserable as possible for it....seek all false means to show it as opposed to the people, even to its faithful, in order to change its doctrine and impose ours, which you

know. Excite the masses never to practice nor believe in the Christian religion, so that the may revolt more easily against all missionaries and the regular priests.'

'Shout loud and everywhere', it exhorted, 'to intimidate other races who live beside us..... never be afraid to convince people of our superiority....for behind us we have a supreme force to aid us in anything without hesitation. After the tribes are intimidated by our threats and we shall be ready to submit them to our total domination.....the white man is our enemy.... strongest weapon which must be used from the start is the lie.....if we do not succeed in subjugating some stubborn people, we must resort to force and even violence.....it is necessary send our people to all the universities of the world, the greatest number to Russia, where we will have more privileges. The finances of our political leader, Lumumba, are to bring this about.....You will address yourselves to people who are easy to dominate and deceive, for that will serve you to convince their racial brothers to adopt our doctrine. They will all think we are the benefactors, in unity with them.....Never let us betray one another.If it is a question of death, keep calm if you have no arguments to present. We shall dominate the entire Congo and we will subjugate all peoples for all eternity. Amen.'

- Most Americans do not realize how serious the uprisings in Africa are, a Methodist missionary to the Congo told a Church conference in Michigan, recently. Rev. Enright said 'thousands have been killed...the Roman Catholic Church, in particular, has suffered greatly'.
- Protestant missionaries in the Congo total about 2,600. There are 645 ordained native Congolese pastors and 821,025 adult members of the Church, with another 345,473 under instruction for baptism. - ED.
- While the above document has never been proven to be authentic (the authenticity is pr dependent on the word of KIPA, which is a Roman Catholic news service.-ED.), it can ably be surmised that there is a definite trend, in the Congo, along the lines that have covered by the document. Whether Mr. Lumumba is actually the foster parent of such is a question that only time and patience will reveal. No doubt it must also be consider the Roman Catholic Church, being so badly persecuted in the Congo, would enjoy relieve their burdens, perhaps in the form of a counter-action against Mr. Lumumba. One way tain this is thru public news media so that the public might become aroused. - ED.

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SON OF A 'FATHER' IS 'FATHER' TO HIS FATHER - Rev.Father Patrick J.Norton St.Patrick's Church, Hampton,Iowa, is the real life father of his immediate superior, Father Claude B.Norton, pastor of St.Patrick's.

The son was questioned about who was 'boss'. He said: 'there's no question about that...technically, I'm the boss, but we haven't revoked the Fourth Commandment yet'.

Father Norton, Sr. also has eleven other children, one other of them being a priest and all two of the girls having become nuns. When he is asked about his age, 78, the senior Norton usually responds by saying 'Pope John is the same age as I am'.

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## Church Chuckles by CARTWRIGHT



"I see your Finance Committee is starting fund-raising drive!"



**JERUSALEM ORTHODOX PATRIARCH CONSECRATES 1st ARAB-BORN ARCHBISHOP.** Greek Orthodox Patriarch of Jerusalem, Benediktos, made history with the first consecration of an Arab-born Archbishop, last month.

Three year-old Archimandrite Simon Garfeg, Patriarchal Vicar of Acre and Haifa was consecrated Titular Archbishop of Gerasa. The new prelate will serve as an assistant to the patriarch.

Native of Taibeh, Jordan, Archbishop Garfeg is the first non-Greek member of the Synod of the Holy Sepulchre, which administers the largely Arabic-speaking patriarchate that includes Jordan and Israel. His appointment was regarded by observers as a concession to the Arab community, which has long deserved an administrative place among the hierarchs.

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**GREEK METROPOLITAN DIES IN ISTANBUL.** Greek Orthodox Metropolitan Agathangelos Kydonea died in Istanbul, last month, at the age of 75. His death was preceded by a short illness.

Expert on Byzantine music, the Metropolitan was an author of important religious books; he had served many times as a member of the Holy Synod of the Ecumenical Patriarchate in Istanbul.

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**SYRIAN JACOBITE PATRIARCH BACK IN DAMASCUS.** Patriarch Ignatius Jacob III, head of the Syrian Jacobite Church of Antioch, returned to his seat in Damascus after a five month tour of some of the Syrian Jacobite communities in Canada and the U.S.

Patriarch expressed satisfaction with his tour and said he was grateful for the assistance given him by church leaders in the areas he visited.

While in New York he was given receptions by the National Council of Churches's Near East Committee and the Commission on Ecumenical Mission and Relations of the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.

Patriarch Ignatius was the first spiritual leader of the some 1,500,000 members of his church to ever visit North America. Most of his communicants are in Malabar, South India.

The Syrian Jacobite Church is not to be confused with the Syrian Orthodox Church, which also has its Patriarchal Seat in the Near East and is known as the Syrian Orthodox Church (Antiochian). - ED.

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**CORONATION RITES HELD FOR ARMENIAN PATRIARCH.** Many religious and civic dignitaries crowded into St. James' Cathedral in the Old City of Jerusalem to witness the solemn coronation rites of Archbishop Yeghishe Derderian, newly-elected Patriarch of the Armenian Apostolic Church in Jerusalem.

Invited guests of honor were Governor Hassan el Khatib, personal representative of King Hussein of Jordan, and leaders of the various Christian communities in Jerusalem.

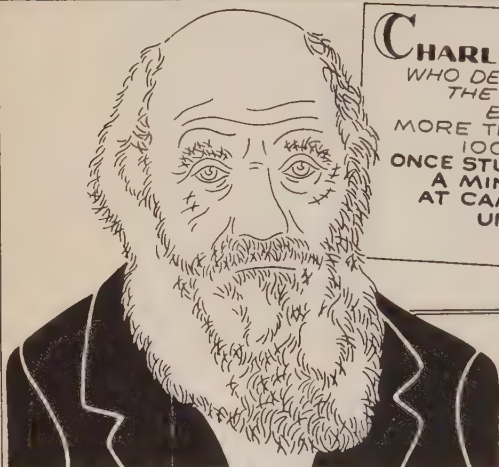
Before the coronation rites, the King had held a special audience for the new Patriarch, at which time he decorated him with the Order of the Jordan Star, first degree and issued to him the writ of appointment, which confirmed the election of the new Patriarch by Royal Decree.

The new Patriarch discharged Father Gorunem Manuelian from his post as senior vicar in Jaffa and ordered him back to Jerusalem to the St. James Convent. Father Manuelian had long been a supporter of Archbishop Tiran Nersoyan, former head of the Patriarchate. Last June, Father Manuelian had criticized the 'irregularities' of the election of the new Patriarch. Father Houssig Sarkis Bagasian was named as Manuelian's successor. - ED.

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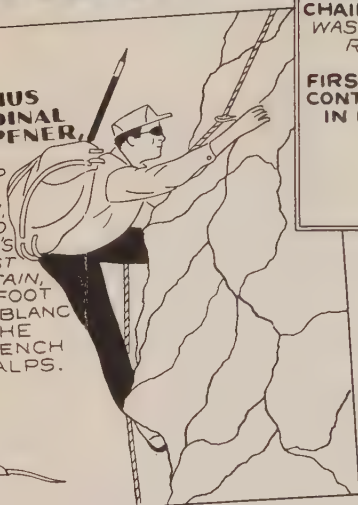
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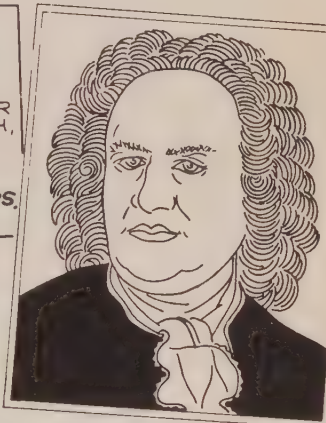
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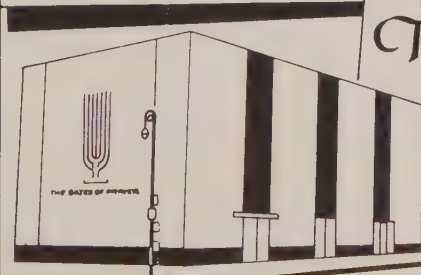
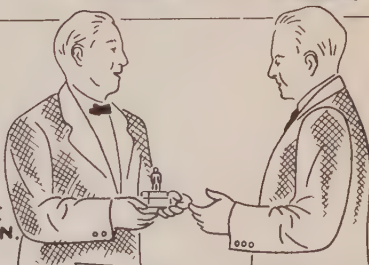
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# DOMESTIC



JESUIT 'EXPLAINS' SIMILARITIES BETWEEN EASTERN & WESTERN CHURCHES  
 "There is no fundamental difference between Eastern and Western spirituality", proudly proclaimed Jesuit Paul Mailleaux, at the 15th annual convention of the Catholic Theological Society of America, which met in Louisville, Ky., in July.

"After the division of the Roman Empire", he continued, "the Church in the West has been obliged frequently to assume the role of Martha, while in the East she continued to develop the more contemplative spirituality of Mary.....the spirituality of those Eastern communions not united with Rome also bear characteristics resulting from historical crises".

Adding to the criteria, thus advanced by Father Mailleaux, another speaker, Rev. F.H. Chao said that "basically the Catholic and Orthodox concepts of Tradition are the same...the Catholics hold that Tradition is a constantly unfolding, revealed truth, which ever becomes more explicit under the infallible guidance of a living and defined Magisterium (i.e.-infallible interpreter - ED.). The Orthodox, however, have always felt that it (tradition) has ceased to operate in a clearly defined way after the close of the 7th Ecumenical Council."

- Cardinal Bea, S.J., recently declared that only two points of major difference exist between Orthodoxy and Romanism: namely- "The primacy of the Pope and his infallibility. As to negotiations with Orthodoxy, he said that "Rome can accept no compromise on doctrine, but discipline and practice are questions on which compromise cannot be excluded."
- The point that Rome finds difficult to grasp is that their 'magisterium' (infallible interpreter) is 'infallible' only in 'their opinion' - i.e., others view such 'interpretation' in a decidedly different fashion - ED. Take, for example, Matt. 16:18, "Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church". Rome believes that it is Peter, on whom the Church is built; that he was thus named a 'rock' by Christ. The Protestant view is that it was Peter's act of faith, which turned him into a rock, and that any individual member need make a 'confession of faith in Christ' to likewise become a 'rock'. In neither case, however, is to be found the correct answer to the Scripture interpretation. To find the 'Orthodox' (correct thought - ED) interpretation, one must realize that word 'rock' has a usage, in the vernacular of the Hebrews, that carried its own implication, quite apart from the one to be given by later generations of so-called 'interpreters'; hence, we must turn back to the Hebrew usage to discover this meaning. -

The Hebrews associated the idea of 'rock' with security, strength, eternal might. It was because the rocky fastness of their area gave them protection. Thus, they were referred to giving the term of 'rock' to their Lord. The Hebrew words of tsur and sela' and similar all refer to rock and almightiness, in one sense or another. (e.g.-the rocky city of Petra is an example of the use of the word 'petra', which Jesus used in Matt.16:18, above.-ED). The Greeks translated Jehovah into 'kurios', and applied it to Christ; they, thus, actually declared Christ to be the ancient 'rock' of Israel (i.e.-Israel's fortress, sanctuary, and God - 30

One can consider that when Moses struck the rock in the wilderness that living water came forth; thus, the 'rock' in the wilderness was actually God, from Whom all things come forth. Thus, we must remember that God is the ever-present source of 'living water'. Peter, in his first epistle, refers to Christ as the 'living stone', to whom all others are to be part of a corporate body. By this reference, Peter sets the keynote by which a proper understanding can be given to the oft-misunderstood passage from Matt.16:18. This



standing is that God is the foundation stone, the rock of the ages, and His manifest Sonship is the immediate corner-stone or rock on which the Church is to be built. The reference to Peter as 'petros' and the rock as 'petra' was a play-on-words (a pun, as it were - ED) to highlight, that individuals, such as Peter, could, in themselves, become 'living stones', which, laid upon the eternal rock of God, are builded together into a spiritual house - the church of God. Thus the eternal rock referred to is none other than God-in-Christ. (Note that God, in speaking of Abraham, said - 'I have found a rock', that is: a suitable individual in whom God could find life, but Abraham did not become the rock, he only was a contemporary representative, in his day, of the power of God, the Rock. - ED.)

Turn now to another 'invention' of Rome, which is certainly not a 'similarity' with the Church of the East, namely: - 'limbo'. Rome explains that, when Christ died, He descended into hell (which they define as being a place or state of rest known as 'limbo'). They further aggravate the situation by saying that his soul separated from his body: his soul going to limbo and his body remaining in the tomb. (ANY Scripture student knows that Jesus, body and soul left the sepulchre; such perversion by Rome shows the deviations they are willing to invent to mesmerize both themselves and those who follow their teachings.) Scripture also shows us that Paul had many differences with Peter (the so-called infallible rock), in fact the differences were so great that Paul called him the chief dissimulator (Gal.2:11-14); now, if it be true that Rome claims to base its teachings on Peter's ways, it can honestly be understood how they fall into the practice of dissimulation and it behooves every Christian to correct them in the proper truth, even as taught by Christ and Paul, both of whom were forced to personally correct Peter, from time to time.

Now, a last look at one of the 'practices', common to Rome - that of 'Mass offerings'. In a column in the 'Sunday Visitor', Father Herbst says: 'The Mass offering...is a disciplinary regulation...fixed by episcopal decree...or legitimate custom...the usual offering is...in one piocese: low Mass, two dollars; low Mass dated (announced) three dollars; high Mass, six; Gregorian Masses (a series of 30 low Masses to be said in uninterrupted succession for a certain deceased person), sixty dollars. - Of course, a high Mass has greater value and efficacy than a low Mass....That is why Catholics....gladly give the larger stipend.' (Both in scripture, as in Orthodox tradition, no price can be set on God's Grace; nor can a fee be stipulated therefor by anyone. Such a practice may well be of Rome, but it can never be construed as being from Christ or from God. - ED.)

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AN CATHOLIC EDUCATION IN THE UNITED STATES. Four critical challenges confronting Catholic education in the coming decade, according to Jesuit Neil G. McCluskey, fiction editor of 'America'. These challenges are: i. population growth ii. demand for science iii. changing American attitude toward things Catholic iv. larger role of laity in Catholic school. The priest also cited the rising costs of construction and teachers' salaries as a major problem; he pointed out the fact that the lay teaching staffs are gradually nearing pay when they will outnumber 'sister' teaching staffs - this, he inferred, will increase the financial problem, inasmuch as the 'sisters' are 'subjects' of the Church.

Dep't. of Education of the National Catholic Welfare Conference issued its general report, Catholic education in the U.S., in a five part survey. Stressing that Catholics have a 'moral' obligation to provide a type of education not guaranteed in the public school curriculum, the report defined children as being 'citizens of two worlds' - heaven and earth - and that Catholic educators had to equip the child to 'fulfill this dual role'. In addition, the report mentioned that American principle of respecting the rights of others was what enabled the parochial school system to develop alongside the public school system. The chief problem facing the parochial system is the 'shortage of teachers' (i.e. - nuns - ED.).

Bishop Brady of St. Paul, Minn., said that Federal Aid to Education bills were 'dangerous', because they 'discriminate' against private schools. Cardinal McIntyre of Los Angeles said 'you cannot separate God from the State and be Christian' (He didn't say 'whose' God. - ED.).

Mr. Morphet, in addressing the 98th annual meeting of the National Education Association,

said that those who seek to 'undermine' the public school system were 'dishonest or perverse' and that they do a great wrong in labeling 'the public schools as godless institutions'.

- Plans for a four-year program of religious education for Catholic students attending Catholic colleges were disclosed recently by Roman Catholic Bishop W.A. Scully of Albany, N.Y. He said the program will be conducted thru the Newman Clubs; the program to consist of courses in philosophy, sociology of American Catholicism, theology, modern moral problems, scriptures, marriage, liturgy, apologetics and church history. He said that he hopes the program will meet certification for college credits.
- St. Josephs Catholic parochial school, Norman, Okla., is terminating all classes in high school grades, because of a shortage of nun teachers. The ultra-modern high school only opened last September and will now be converted to the first eight grades only. The pastor, Father Duffy, said that, within a decade, all Catholic parochial schools may be reduced to teaching only four grades.
- A recent survey of Cleveland, O., Catholic diocesan high schools showed that some 200 students had been channeled into religious life during the past year. This number is 1/3 of the spring's graduating classes of over 4000 boys and girls. Most of the postulants agreed to enter seminaries, convents or novitiates to become Brothers. Of the total, 150 were girls and 95 were boys (34 additional high school graduates from previous years had been included in this total, inasmuch as they made the decision this year - ED.) Msgr. M. Novicky of the diocese said that at least 10% of all youth should enter 'vocations' and that the parents were the worst offenders, in that they 'defy the will of God' and 'encourage their sons and daughters to walk every other avenue other than that which leads to life as a religious'.
- The parochial system is beginning to feel the pressure of its over-expansion and is frantically reaching in all directions to obtain help to support the top-heavy program. To obtain help, the authorities desire replacements and expansion in the ranks of the church-supported 'nuns and brothers', who are willing to work for pittance; in addition, they are endeavoring to dip into the public treasuries for funds. Americans, everywhere, should be alert to the danger of such 'un-American' activities and stand firm against any demand for tax monies for such private uses. At present, the some thirty million Catholics, man and child, must shell out a daily 10¢ levy, thru the Church, to meet its national expenditures for Catholic education. In short, the hierarchy wishes to transfer this 'march of dimes' to the public purse and make all Americans pay for their uses. - ED.

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**BIRTH CONTROL, POPULATION GROWTH, AND FOOD SUPPLY.** Under these headings are grouped the central elements of a fundamental problem of Mankind for the future. To cope with the various approaches to these facets of study, studies have been made by many and diverse groups, both religious and professional. Among these studies a pattern of need, with varying interpretations, has emerged.

One of the most interesting of the changes taking place is that of the age-old patterns of family relations. Principally, family relations, on a world-wide basis, are changing because of the shifting of the masculine-dominated social structures thru the emancipation of women. Out of the ruins of the old society, a new one, based on mutual respect, dignity, and freedom, is emerging. Naturally, servitude, injustice and conflict are endeavoring to maintain the status quo; this is seen in the struggle for self-determination, of economic and technological change, and of the emergence of a world-wide industrial society. With this changing pattern in creative marriage, with a freeing of the woman from serfdom, a changing attitude is also manifesting itself in the field of birth-control. It is normal that most males rebel against any having of their 'rights' over women, and therefore it is mainly the male sections of the population, including the so-called 'celibate' clergy who are the most violent opponents of such a social change.

Population growth is increasing to crisis proportions, not so much because of an increasing



population birth rate, but more because of improved public health programmes on all continents that have brought sensational reductions in death rates. Because of this, the world is faced with a doubling of the present population by the end of the century. Unfortunately, this increase is taking place mainly in poor, economic regions of the world. The crisis is therefore not being able to feed or sustain the peoples of those areas. Starvation, of course, produces revolutions and chaos in social apparatuses. Thus, vigorous measures have to be taken to avert various shortages in food, health, technical and other social areas. 'Family planning', 'birth control', is included in the field just mentioned. Responsible parenthood is, however, not the panacea of the world's problems; but, it can materially aid in bringing about better conditions.

Hierarchical churches, in general, are opposed to such measures of 'birth control'; interesting enough, however, in time of war or stress, where the particular religion is in danger of being replaced by control to an 'invading religious competitor', practically all of the hierarchical churches have been in favor of killing the aforesaid 'invader'. Apparently, therefore, such churches are opposed to 'birth control' at its inception, but are not opposed to 'birth control' by the action of adult 'invaders'. (Killing of adults is merely another form of 'birth control' thru the action of reducing the number of potential parents. - ED.) The whole problem can be summed up by saying: theology is not the cure, but rather - has man learned to live with man sufficiently well to cope with the problem it is now faced with?

The answer to this problem hinges on Man using his brainpower, rather than pet dogmas. Several leading Catholics, for instance have shown that a person can be a Catholic and still be a Christian. Dr. Norman St. John-Stevan, English journalist and lawyer, said that while 'Catholics in a democracy have every right to work for legislation outlawing the sale and distribution of contraceptives,' they might better 'limit their efforts to securing a policy of state neutrality on the issue and passing of measures of preserving public morality which command the general support of the community'. Dr. St. John-Stevan, himself a vigorous Catholic, said that a statute, such as that in Connecticut, which forbids the use of contraceptives 'violates Catholic principles of jurisprudence, and is unenforceable'. He explained his attitude by saying: 'using a contraceptive is essentially a private act.... a law (banning their use).... would involve an intolerable interference with the private life of individuals'.

Another example of a Catholic statement is that of Msgr. I.A. DeBlanc, of Washington's National Catholic Family Life Bureau, who reported that Catholic married couples use artificial birth control 'in about the same measure' as non-Catholics.

In general, Protestant and Jewish groups are in favor of birth-control facilities; the main reason that they favor such facilities is because 'medically indigent' people (such as are of poor economic or intelligence levels) have no means to solve their problems thru a medical service, which is freely available to families of higher income groups thru private medical care'. To forbid such care to these people is a form of discrimination, so say the Protestant and Jewish spokesmen.

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**TOR CASE SPONSORS RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE EASTERN ORTHODOXY.** Senator Clifford P. Case (Rep.-N.J.) has introduced a Senate Resolution asking for National recognition of Eastern Orthodoxy as a Major Faith of this country. In a precedent-making move, the Republican Senator showed his personal interest in seeing that Orthodoxy achieves proper status, alongside that of Protestant, Catholic and Jew. The resolution (Sen. Res. 346) was referred to the Senate Committee on the Judiciary for consideration.

In introducing the Resolution, the Senator said, in part, - 'The Eastern Orthodox Churches.... constitute one of the major divisions of world-wide Christianity.... (and).... among non-Christian religions of the world is surpassed by only four: Moslem, Hindu, Confucian, and Buddhist..... In the U.S., membership is..... estimated.... at 2,545,318..... (thus).... ranking fourth in membership surpassed only by Roman Catholic, Protestant, and Jewish faiths..... To all who may fear the precedent here set may open the door to similar claims by numerous other faiths, it should be pointed out that no other, among the great world faiths not now recognized by the Govern-

ment of the U.S., has a comparable membership in the U.S.....the Eastern Orthodox (is).....justly entitled to courteous consideration in any Federal action or statement relating to religious matters.'

The Resolution, itself, highlighted the following points: 'Whereas, several Federal agencies have omitted Eastern Orthodoxy in projects which Protestant, Catholic and Jewish faiths have been invited to participate; and Whereas, more than half of the States...thru their legislatures have passed resolutions recognizing Eastern Orthodoxy as a major religious faith; and Whereas it therefore follows that a religious distinction is being made in omitting the Eastern Orthodox Church (i.e.-in public utterances - ED.), which is contrary to the prevailing principle of equality and freedom of religion in this country; Now, therefore, Be It Resolved, by the Senate that the Eastern Orthodox Church is a major faith in this country; and that all references to Federal agencies to major faiths, now limited to Protestants, Catholics, and Jews, include the Eastern Orthodox Church.'

- Such neglect in recognizing the 'Birth-giver of Christianity' as a Major Faith has kept unperturbed intelligent scholars and laity, both of the Eastern Orthodox Church and of other Christian bodies. Unfortunately, elected government officials are usually only susceptible to so-called 'pressure' groups; idealism, as such, is often foreign to 'good' politicians.
- On the weekend of January 31st, last, a group of Americans of Greek descent met at the Hotel St. Moritz, N.Y. for the purpose of forming a 'united voice' for nationwide expression of the ideals of Americans of Hellenic descent. The new 'voice' is known as the American Hellenic Congress. It is composed of the 19 national American Hellenic organizations. The two leading bodies in this movement are those of AHEPA (American Hellenic Educational Progressive Ass'n.) and GAPA (Greek American Progressive Ass'n.). Dean Alfange was elected as the first national chairman of the new Congress, and Archbishop Iakovos as honorary chairman. Peter N. Chumbris, Washington D.C. attorney and a Senate sub-committee member, was most active in the formation of the early beginnings of the Congress, along with Dr. G.E. Loucas; Mr. Chumbris was chosen as national secretary. (Senator Dirksen of Illinois, made mention of the formation of the new Congress on the floor of the U.S. Senate on Feb. 8th, 1960. - ED.)
- Federal agencies are not alone amiss in according such reasonable recognition. Though the Red Cross, the National Radio and TV Broadcasting chains, both national and local newspapers and magazines, have, in the main, refused or ignored the some millions of Orthodox peoples in the U.S., insofar as tendering them equal recognition, in public news stories they freely give to other religious bodies. News Commentator and V.P. of the American Broadcasting Company, John Daly of 'What's My Line', refused to see that Orthodoxy be given its proper due on their network, mainly because of an interpretation of 'membership' numbers that the Eastern Orthodox Church is reported to have in the U.S. All Orthodox clergy should be aware of this bigoted attitude on the part of public media; as the media advise their clergy: 'do not complain to the editors or news editors, but to the business and advertising managers, who depend on the merchants for the advertising dollars and pay the bills of the publishing media.' - ED.

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GREEK BISHOP ADMITS SLANDER AND MAKES FULL RETRACTION. Two slander cases have been discontinued in Massachusetts Courts by presentation of a satisfactory settlement involving a full retraction and a financial agreement by the defending Greek Bishop Athenagoras Kokkinakis and attorney Antonios Anastassi. The plaintiff, John P. Cavarinos, sued the two defendants for slanderous statements made against him.

In his written retraction, Bishop Kokkinakis states: 'I also withdraw all other damaging and defamatory statements which I may have made against him on this or any other occasion. Dr. John P. Cavarinos is a person of excellent moral character, a good Orthodox Christian and a fine American. He has demonstrated all these qualities in his teaching and in his life as well as in his personal conduct....Dr. Cavarinos carried on his duties as professor at the



Orthodox Theological School very conscientiously and efficiently.'

defendants' retractions were based on certain defamatory statements which they had making on March 26th, 1957, at a public hearing before the Board of Collegiate Authority of the Dep't. of Education of Massachusetts, against Dr. John P. Cavanaugh. The Supreme Court prior to the settlement, had already unanimously decided that the alleged words could probably be found to be defamatory to the plaintiff. The original suit had been for \$40,000 damages.

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**EASTERN ORTHODOX CATECHETICAL CONFERENCE HELD.** The 7th Eastern Orthodox Catechetical Conference ended, on August 5th, its five day sessions. As usual, the campus of Michigan State University, East Lansing, was the scene of the gathering of clergy and laymen interested in the field of religious education, including that of Sunday School teaching.

Founded in 1954, the Conference was established for the threefold purpose of providing a quiet, yet pleasant, environment that gave access to many and varied resources of a major city; lastly, to make possible a five day period of spiritual retreat, replete with worship and a wide opportunity - conference periods - lectures and seminars.

The scope of this year's Conference is shown in the variety of subjects covered: Moral and Mental Theology, Church History, Methods of Teaching Techniques, etc. Group luncheons, dances, folk dancing, 'Coffee Breaks', and outdoor recreational opportunities all helped to create a lively atmosphere for the some 194 participants to 'get acquainted'.

These conferences are always subject to the ecclesiastical authority of Orthodox hierarchs, and we saw the presence of Archbishop John (Russian) and Bishop Valerian Trifa (Romanian).

Future conference dates for 1961 were established for July 17th - 21st.

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**RELIGION AND THE PRESIDENCY - FACTS AND OPINIONS.** To present an analysis of the theme of Religion and the Presidency would require thousands of words; therefore, the following abstracted facts and opinions are given to form a cross-section of the 'public pulse'. On this, the reader may judge for himself.

Benjamin Franklin said, in writing to Dr. Price, Oct. 9, 1780, - 'When Religion is good, I cannot say that it will support itself; and, when it cannot support itself, and God does not take care to support it, so that its professors are obliged to call for the help of the civil power, it is a bad apprehension, of its being a bad one.'

Chief Federal Judge, Albert Levitt, said: the 'three great enemies of American freedom are Communism, fascism, and the Roman Catholic Church'.

William F. Buckley, Jr., a Catholic, said the remarks of Democratic National Chairman Paul F. Douglas were 'astounding' and 'frightening'. (Butler had stated that, if Kennedy were not nominated at the Democratic Convention, a Catholic bloc would vote against the Democratic Ticket in 1960.)

William F. Buckley, Jr., Roman Catholic and politician from Michigan, said to a State Party Convention that the Democratic slogan was 'Hail Mary, you all'. (The reference was to Kennedy, for the 'Mary', and to Johnson, for the 'you all')

A prominent columnist portrayed Frank Sinatra, an ardent backer of Kennedy and close friend of the actor Peter Lawford (Kennedy's brother-in-law), as an associate of the underworld. He mentioned Sinatra's open association with Bugsy Segal, gangsters of the old Capone mob, with Al Capone, and Lucky Luciano. He then questions whether such associations will bring a curse to the White House, such as has never been known before.

Members of the Baptist, Methodist, Church of Christ, Assemblies of God, Church of God, and many

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other Conventions and bodies have openly come out against Kennedy as a danger to the of the American way of life.

Kennedy has denounced the principle of Protestant pastors speaking out against him from pulpits. Kennedy, however, did not denounce the Catholic priests, who, in Latin America elsewhere, speak out openly against Protestants and who even lead mobs to kill, burn and destroy Protestant missions in those lands. (In the past 12 years, for instance, 116 Protestants were killed in Colombia alone; and 66 Protestant churches or chapels were destroyed by fire or dynamite. In these instances, Roman Catholic priests directly participated in some of all cases.)

A 'Presidential Popularity Poll', conducted by John F. Kraft, Inc., showed that the 'key' to success for a Kennedy victory is the 'Catholic vote', which Mr. Kennedy wins in 'a walk'. (The poll showed Kennedy getting 71% of the Catholic vote)

The 'Biblical Recorder' states that 'every Democratic Party chairman since 1928 has been Roman Catholic'. In addition, the following 'big city' leaders are all Roman Catholic: Mayor Daley of Chicago; Governor Brown of California; Governor DiSalle of Ohio; Governor of Pennsylvania; Mayor Wagner of N.Y.; Representative McCormack of Mass. (Many other major leaders of large area communities are unnamed).

Compare the expected 'big city' vote for Kennedy with the Catholic Directory census of archdioceses: Chicago has 2,073,616 Catholics; Boston with 1,625,024; New York with 1,513,269; Phila. with 1,513,269; Newark with 1,402,609; Detroit with 1,324,951; Los Angeles with 1,030,833.

What has happened, in various places, when a Roman Catholic has achieved political authority? Edmund Muskie, first Catholic governor of the State of Maine, witnessed an immediate flood of Roman Catholic demands for parochial school aids - and even thought the legislature refused to grant any such aid, local Catholic-controlled school boards have authorized even though they know it is against the law. Albert D. Rosellini, first Catholic governor of the State of Washington, was besieged with demands by Catholic lobby groups to push a legislative program for parochial school subsidies. In Ohio, Michael DiSalle, second Catholic governor ever elected there, is doing nothing to correct the unconstitutional act of the placing of nuns on the public school payrolls as teachers. In summary, 19 states now grant free transportation to parochial school pupils; five states furnish free textbooks - both of these are clear violations of the Constitution of the U.S.

John A. Mackay, Princeton Theological Seminary, said: 'The Roman Catholic Church is a political organization as well as a religious communion.... It claims to be superior to the State..... even as the Pope said five years ago: 'The CHURCH cannot approve the complete separation between Church and State'..... when the majority of a population become Roman Catholic, then 'clericalism' comes. Clericalism,.... the pursuit of power, especially political power, by a religious hierarchy, carried on by secular methods and for purposes of domination.'

Eugene J. McCarthy, U.S. Senator (D. Minn.), 'We know in practice, of course, that these two (i.e. - Church and State) cannot be clearly separated.' (Note: Sen. McCarthy is a Catholic.)

Roman Catholic Bishops Davis and McManus issued a joint pastoral letter in which they said in part: 'political philosophy..... has as its objective the spiritual well-being as well as the material well-being of all the people'. This letter was read in the churches of their diocese and a church publication then amplified on it by stating '...the church is not entering politics but this does not mean that she should not be concerned about the solution of social and moral problems..... so..... it is not the church, but her good sons who are going to participate in politics..... votes will thus be placed at the service of God....'

In Maine, Senate President C.D. Hillman recently cast a tie-breaking vote against subsidizing parochial schools for bus transportation. A Catholic-inspired boycott against a dairy business owned by his son ruined that business and forced them to sell out. The story was carried in the columns of Drew Pearson on April 27th.

POAU recently headlined the fact that the Constitutions of many countries allow ONLY AMERICAN REVIEW OF EASTERN ORTHODOXY



to be elected President. Examples: Argentina - 'To be eligible to office of President, person....must belong to the Catholic Church.' Paraguay - 'The President of the Republic....profess the Roman Catholic Religion....' Spain - 'to exercise the office of Chief as king or regent, it shall be necessary...to profess the Catholic religion....'

The point has also been raised regarding so-called 'bigotry'; i.e.- the state of mind that shows a person to only see 'one side' of a question. Let it be made clear, then, that a democrat, Republican, Socialist, etc. who only votes his OWN Party line, and never sees an opposing candidate of another Party, is just as 'bigoted', as if he were adhering to a 'religious' line. - ED.

**PROTESTANTS - CATHOLICS - ORTHODOX MEET.**  
100 Protestant and Orthodox clergymen were at the 21st annual North American Catholic Liturgical Week Conference, held in Pittsburgh, Pa., on the 10th.

Representations were Episcopal, Methodist, American Methodist Episcopal, Presbyterian, Russian Orthodox, and Greek Orthodox. The Orthodox clergy was Archbishop Benjamin of the Russian Church.

Msgr. Pauley, Roman Catholic receptionist, for the Germans, explained that such a gathering gave Protestants and Orthodox clergy a 'chance to see why Roman Catholics close up'.

G.J. Matey, Russian Orthodox of Duquesne, Pa., said the Liturgical Week was - 'very instructional'.

Protestant clergy said: we hope 'this won't be a pay street' and that Catholics should attend the gatherings, also. Msgr. Pauley responded, by 'We will, of course'.

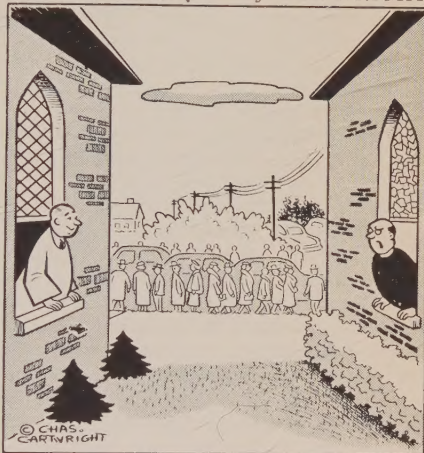
Reporting on an interview with three Orthodox priests, the 'Catholic Courier Journal' of Rochester, N.Y. said that the clergymen thought that Pope John was tending to take 'the Catholic Church in a new direction in its dealings with other religious groups'. Fathers Djojika (Albanian), Rudikow (Russian), and ReMoundos (Greek) were the three Orthodox clergymen, who were interviewed. Father Djojika said he admired the Pope's efforts, but that getting nationalistic Orthodox Churches to 'come to terms' might be difficult; he explained that the Orthodox will 'have to unite ourselves first'. Greek priest, ReMoundos, said that reunion is rooted on the problem of the 'basic question of authority' and that Orthodoxy recognizes only an ecumenical council as having doctrinal authority and no other council has been convened since 787 AD. Father Rudikow expressed the idea that reunion cannot be made possible, that all the churches should work together to speed the process of moral disintegration.

The Roman Catholic Chair of Unity Octave recently remodeled the wording of its manual 'Intentions'. For example, the wording used to be: 'Return of the other sheep to the fold of Peter, the One Shepherd' - this now reads: 'Union of all Christians in the one true faith and in the Church'. (From this one can see that perhaps the spirit of Christian charity is finally beginning to pervade the thinking of the autocrats of Rome.-ED)

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**HEADWAITER RAISES \$30,000 TO BUILD ORTHODOX CHURCH.** Nicholas, a 66 year-old Greek immigrant to America and a headwaiter at the Gotham Hotel in New York City, has completed 50 years in this country; he also has completed a labor of

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"Let's keep the competition clean, Crenshaw - after all, FREE COFFEE!!"

love, in which he raised some \$30,000 to build a new house of God in his native village Pakia, Greece.

On July 24th, last, 'Nick of the Gotham' was present in Greece at the dedication of the new Greek Orthodox Church of St. Demetrios in Pakia. Queen Frederika and U.S. Ambassador Briggs, numerous officials, and the whole village of some 1,000 people were anticipated. He explained that, to the best of his memory, about 250 people had contributed to his 'building fund' over the years. Among them were Catholics, Protestants and Jews.

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**\$500,000 ROMANIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH DEDICATED IN CLEVELAND.** Bishop Valerian D. Trifa of Grass Lake, Mich., dedicated the new \$500,000 St. Mary's Orthodox Church in Cleveland, O., late last month. Bishop Trifa is head of the Romanian Orthodox Episcopate of America.

Assisting the bishop were the church's pastor, Father Hategan, and 16 priests and deacons from both eastern and midwestern states. Following the dedication, some 2,000 persons attended a banquet celebrating the event.

The first 50-star flag, to fly atop the Nation's Capitol, was unfurled above the church at the dedication. The flag had been obtained for the parish thru U.S. Senator Lausche (D.O.).

The church is in white, glazed brick, with a steep roof and 100 foot steeple. It is definitely not in 'Byzantine' style, but it is of Romanian tradition, even though some might consider it to be ultra-modern. It seats about 600. The wooden furnishings were executed by Roman George Ciukurescu, of Philadelphia. The icons were painted by Professor Ilie Cristobal. The plans were drawn by still another Romanian, Harlan Georgescu of Los Angeles.

Besides the church worship area, there is a baptistry, a trustee room, a balcony, a music center with 13 classrooms, a museum and library, a lounge, offices, lobby, kitchen and school office. Lastly, there is a large social hall, a rectory, and other buildings. All are situated on the 8½ acre plot of land in a beautiful, residential section of Cleveland, about 10 minutes from downtown.

To aid in paying for this monumental undertaking, all of the diverse items essential to build and maintain a church, and accompanying facilities, have been separately designated so that individuals may donate the prescribed amount necessary to pay for that item or items. In return, a plaque, honoring the name of someone of the donor's choice, will be placed appropriately thereon; in addition, the name of each donor will be inscribed in the 'Book of Remembrance', which will be especially reserved and honored throughout the life of the church.

- Cleveland also has an extremely active body, known as the Eastern Orthodox Welfare Council, that is a cooperative endeavor of some 100,000 Orthodox of Greater Cleveland and of the 16 Orthodox Churches and 10 national groups, to which they belong. - E

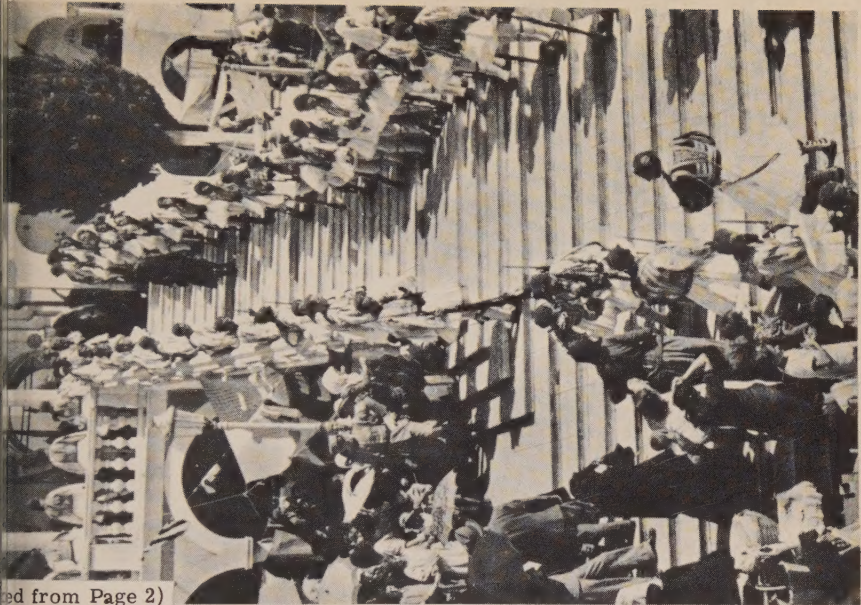
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**BYELORUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH DEDICATED IN CLEVELAND.** Archbishop Vasili of New York, head of the Byelorussian Autocephalic Orthodox Church in the U.S., consecrated the new St. Mary of Zhyrovich church in Cleveland, early this month. It is believed to be the denomination's first church to open in a new building.

The dedication was a highlight of the Byelorussian Church's national convention, also in Cleveland. The Church is said to have about 65,000 members in this hemisphere.

The Cleveland parish has some 100 families, as members. Most of them are refugees from Russian lands, via Germany - Belgium - England, since the last war. Their pastor, who assisted the bishop, in the service of dedication, is Father Efimej Jakimenko.





Stairway to Church of Evangelistria (Annunciation)  
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lt. This lower chapel, that of the 'Discovery', runs the full length of the building and is y a barrel vault. The spot, where the miracle icon was first discovered, is inside the proper; nearby to it is a marble font, from which water may be obtained that comes e well that was uncovered by excavators, at the time the icon was found. This water is ed as 'sanctified' and the pilgrims drink from the font with small cups.

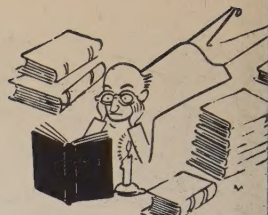
pper floor, where the main church is located, the miracle icon is kept just inside the try in a glass covered box that is sheathed with a plate of white gold.(see picture on the ver). Countless precious stones, offerings of pilgrims, are set upon the gold casing.

al legend, of the 'discovery' of the icon, is of more than passing interest. According to , an old gardener, Michael Polyzoos, had a series of dream-visions on several occas- preceding the Greek War of Independence, March 25th, 1821. The visions were of the who told him that her icon was buried in the garden of the farmer Antony Doxaras, on he dug unavailingly on a number of occasions. About a year later, June of 1822, a nun, by name, had a series of three dream-visions on successive Sunday mornings. Her were also of the Virgin, who told her to go to a trustee of the convent, in which she and tell him to go and dig up the foundation of a buried temple in the garden of the xaras and to erect, thereupon, a shining and stately temple to the Virgin. The ancient on was thereupon excavated and proven to be an old church, which had been known as Baptist. As the excavators continued digging, they struck an underground well or spring, referred to above as the 'holy water' of the 'Discovery Chapel'.

struction of the new church underway, a workman was leveling the floor when his pick hidden object. It proved to be half of a panel of a wooden icon. The other half was till buried, next to it. When inspected, the two halves proved to be an icon of the tion, with Gabriel on one half and the Virgin on the other half. This discovery took the afternoon of January 30, 1823.

rch was ardently built by the devout faithful of both the island and of the mainland. ured in from all sides, including family jewels - heirlooms - and other personal s of the people. Since those days, the offerings have numbered in the thousands; the of the spacious church being completely filled with gold and silver offerings. In fact, of these mementoes have been offered that the authorities hold periodic sales of them, vernment supervision; the proceeds are used for upkeep of the church, along with its e charities and educational programs.

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